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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
10 WESTERN DIVISION  
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12 RANDEE WILLIAMS,  
13 Plaintiff,

14 v.

15 M. CONKLE, et al.,  
16 Defendants.  
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No. CV 17-4884-JAK (PLA)

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY  
DEFENDANTS SHOULD NOT BE  
REQUIRED TO REIMBURSE U.S.  
MARSHAL FOR COSTS OF SERVICE  
AFTER FAILING TO WAIVE SERVICE**

18 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(d) places a duty on defendants to avoid the unnecessary  
19 expense of service. Defendants were provided with a copy of the summons and complaint in this  
20 action and a waiver of service form, but did not waive service and avoid the costs of personal  
21 service. (See Attachments hereto: U.S. Marshals Service Form Process Receipt and Return for  
22 each defendant, indicating that a waiver of service form was mailed as to each defendant on  
23 October 30, 2017, that return receipt showing such mailing was received by the U.S. Marshals  
24 Service, and that personal service was then undertaken). As a result, the U.S. Marshals Service  
25 was required to personally serve each of them on April 26, 2018, at a cost of \$338.48 per  
26 defendant. (See Attachments: id.; Notice of Expenses Memoranda from U.S. Marshals Service  
27 setting forth costs of service). Rule 4(d) requires that the Court impose the cost of service on  
28 defendants who fail, without good cause, to return a waiver.

1 Accordingly, defendants M. Conkle, S. Mintz and T. Tang are **ordered to appear in person**  
2 on June 14, 2018, at 9:30 a.m., at the Roybal Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse, 255 E.  
3 Temple, Courtroom 780, and **show cause why they should not be ordered to pay the costs**  
4 **of service.**

5 Because this hearing does not involve plaintiff and has no impact on the merits of this case,  
6 plaintiff will not be required to attend the hearing.

7 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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9 DATED: May 22, 2018

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PAUL L. ABRAMS  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE